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[OFFICIAL.]

The following report of Mr. J. W. Howson, State Organizer of California, and of Mr. L. C. Williams, member of the Executive Committee, will prove interesting reading to the members of the National Association. We bespeak for it not a casual reading, but a careful perusal. We further desire that every member of the Executive Committee and every State Organizer study these reports carefully and compare them with the work they themselves have done. The reports show the value of systematic and painstaking effort. Mr. Howson will shortly tell in detail, how he went about organizing his State and how he accomplished the work he has. The membership of the National Association is now approximately 1300, or just about double that at the close of the Cleveland Convention. If every State organizer had been a Howson, we would have from 10,000 to 15,000 members, and if one will pause to realize what that means, he will have food for thought. It would mean an initial payment into the Treasury of about $10,000, and an annual income from dues of approximately $5,000. With this sum the Secretary could be placed on a salary and devote all of his time to the work of advancing the interests of deaf. Do not hold up your hands and say that this is impossible. There was no more difficult State in the Union to deal with than was California when the present administration took hold. The deaf of the State were not merely inactive, but those then in power were antagonistic and declared that if the N. A. D. did not subserve the interests of the American Federation, the N. A. D. could not even hold its proposed Convention in San Francisco. Look at the difference in a year and a half. California has the largest State membership of all, they have raised over $1,000 already for the Convention. The authorities of the Fair have set aside a day to be known as National Association of the Deaf Day. Does not every member of the Association who reads this feel like getting up and cheering for the California deaf? Does it not inspire in you a desire to accomplish as much in your own sections? Will you not all touch the switch that sets your think factories to buzzing, and try and devise some method whereby the rank and file of the Association can be kept in touch and interested in the work that is being done, and come out in the JOURNAL with discussions in line with Mr. Howson's suggestion, backed up as it is by that of Mr. Williams? It might not be possible for the JOURNAL to set aside a single issue for suggestions along this line, and we may not all be inspired at the same moment, so I suggest that if anyone has an inspiration, he at once publish it in the JOURNAL. I should like to see a good live discussion on this subject. A new year is on us, and it is to be the year of the great California Convention. Let it prove a live year.

One other matter. Several committees and commissions were appointed immediately after the Cleveland Convention. Some of them have done excellent work. Others have done NOTHING. These committees and commissions were appointed to WORK. They were not organized for ornamental purposes or to gratify the vanity of anyone by placing him or her on an important committee. In my President's Address at the San Francisco Convention I will take up each of these committees and commissions in turn and tell who was appointed, the nature of our correspondence, and what they have done, or what they have not done. If they have done nothing I will say so, and the American Deaf can herd the sheep from the goats, the talkers from the doers. I will not mince matters. If you have been given work and have shirked the work, no one is to blame but yourself Neither long standing friendship, or the importance of the parties concerned will count in this. They will be judged by what they have done. There is still six months before the convention, and it will behove certain individuals to wake up and get busy. We do not want explanations, we want RESULTS.

It is a strange commentary on things in general, that one of the best and most active committees, the De l'Epee Monument Committee, that it has been criticized for its activities. It has been called a "robber" committee. If there is difference of opinion as to the advisability of erecting a monument, that should have been ascertained at Cleveland. The matter was open to discussion. By an unanimous vote this project was endorsed, and the President was instructed to appoint a committee. The President carried out his instructions, and the committee has acted with commendable energy, and deserves all praise. Neither the President nor the Committee were called upon to pass upon the advisability of erecting the monument. They were ordered to do so. They are trying to carry out these orders, and will continue so to try until the Association in Convention orders them not to. The committee that has this work in charge should have unstinted praise for its energy and enterprise, and it will have it. Some of those who now oppose the project were at Cleveland, and their opposition should have been made then and there, and it would not now appear as if they were knockers and calamity howlers. Let the new year show active work in all departments. Let the members of the Executive Committee, and the Officers, and the State Organizers, and the Chairmen of Committees, GET BUSY, and show what is in them.

JAY COOKE HOWARD,
President.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5, 1915.

MR. L. C. WILLIAMS,
Member of Executive Committee, N. A. D.

DEAR SIR:—I herewith submit my third report as State Organizer of the N. A. D. for California. The original fourteen members within the State, I have, with the aid of the Committee of Five and several individual assistants, increased to three hundred and thirty-four. In addition we claim individual members each from Oklahoma, Idaho, Hawaii, Nevada and New York.

Assuming that one member can be obtained from each 4,000 of population, the sectional areas of the State may be represented as follows:—

SECTION	HEAD-QUARTERS	NUMBER POSSIBLE	NUMBER OBTAINED	PERCENT
North Pacific Coast	Vallejo	26	17	65
Sacramento Valley	Sacramento	54	18	33
San Joaquin Valley	Porterville	65	36	55
Metropolitan San Francisco	San Francisco	225	165	73
Central Pacific Coast	San Jose	32	11	34
Metropolitan Los Angeles	Los Angeles	195	77	40
San Diego	San Diego	20	4	20
Scattering		75	6	8
Totals		692	334	

As a matter of fact we have now enrolled in the National Association 55 per cent of the adult deaf of the State. Though the Committee of Five has discontinued the strenuous efforts it made in the early part of the campaign, new members continue to come in, and every section of the State shows an increase over my last report. The area designated as Metropolitan San Francisco shows the greatest increase, chiefly due to that indefatigable hustler, Mr. Isadore Selig.

It might be well to stop and consider what this 55 per cent means. It means that 334 of the known deaf of our State are members of the N. A. D., while 267 are not. Of the 267 non-members, the majority are not within easy reach of the Committee of Five. It further means that we have a far larger proportion of members to the available field, than have societies in general. It means an increasing difficulty to keep in touch with and weld into one harmonious whole the many diversified interests which are none too strongly held together by the single common bond of deafness.

The officers of the California Association of the Deaf, of the Sphinx and other clubs, as well as local officers and committee members of the N. A. D. realize this and have made every effort to get in touch with and interest the deaf of the State in matters which vitally concern them. These men and women have worked overtime with personal correspondence, the getting out and mailing, to each member, of circulars and phamplets. Nothing that might interest the members has been overlooked. Whenever any member has shown any inclination to assist in any way, such assistance has been gladly received. Picnics, parties, social gatherings, a bazaar and innumerable other devices have been been resorted to, and it is safe to say that the deaf of California have never before, even approximately, had so much interest crowded into their lives as the last year has seen. All members have been urged to subscribe to the *News*, the JOURNAL, the *Silent Worker* and the *Observer*, to which our Literary Bureau are regular contributors, and sample copies have been sent to many.

The Committee of Five will continue in harness for some time longer, and after their disbandment will no doubt assist as individuals, but they feel that to continue the work which they have been carrying on, it will be necessary for the parent association, the N. A. D., to lend a hand. A substantial membership is the foundation upon which our association rests, to which all other things are subservient, and without which there is not. To retain what we already have will require the united efforts of all,

JAMES W. HOWSON.

NEW MEMBERS.

312—Mrs. Bruce Land, 7 G Street, Napa.
313—David M. Bean, 265 Cumberland Street, San Francisco.
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315—Harold A. McNeilly, 461 Nevada Street, Reno, Nev.
316—Miss Anna Kenny, Madera.
317—E. O'Malley, 615 Moultrie Street, San Francisco.
318—Mayhew Norton, Montalvo.
319—Mrs. Mayhew Norton, Montalvo.
320—Miss Claire Curtin, 1127 You Street, Sacramento.
321—B. G. Kingsley, 1046 North Street Woodland.
322—Miss Goldie Conrad, 221 Sumner Street, Seabright.
323—Miss Rosa Mucha, 107 Scott Street, San Francisco.
324—Fred Mensor, 121 Central Avenue, Berkeley.
325—Melvin C. Davidson, 1901 California Street, San Francisco.
326—Miss Inez Cowles, 745 Jefferson Street, Red Bluff.
327—A. Clark, 6303 E. 14th Street, Oakland.
328—Monroe Potheal, 622 Shortridge Avenue, San Jose.
329—Miss Flora Dunbar, Needles.
330—Ashbell Abbott, Soledad.
331—John M. May, Box 415, Imperial.
332—Miss E. Gregory, Sec. 25, Oil Co., Taft.
333—Miss M. Peters, 2167 Vermont Street, San Francisco.
334—Floyd Hatcher, 286 Second Street, San Francisco.
Mrs. Anna E. Flanagan, 201 West 109th Street, New York.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.,
December 18, 1914.

MR. JAY COOKE HOWARD,
President, N. A. D.
Duluth, Minn.

MY DEAR SIR:—In forwarding the third report of State Organizer Howson herewith, let me call the attention of yourself and all thinking Nads to the closing sentence. The time has come when the Nad, as an association, must bestir itself and devise some means of retaining its membership as well as further increase it. I would suggest that you call for a general expression of opinion, to be limited to a stated number of words and forwarded to the JOURNAL, for publication simultaneously on a given date. CALIFORNIA WILL BE READY.

Looking over your instructions as made at various times, I find that most of them have been compiled with and will make this a partial report, dealing with progress in California and the other territory assigned to me, up to date.

INSTRUCTION, No. 1. To get the deaf together and organize local and State branches of the deaf in California, may be said to be complete.

No. 2. To get the California Association in line, ditto.

No. 3. To look after the California end of the convention and do all possible to get a good and large membership in California. This is being attended to and has progressed as far as possible at the present time.

No. 4. Appoint a Local Committee, with a free hand. This has been done, the personnel of the committee being as follows:—

Edw. W. Lohmeyer, 320-5th Ave., S. F....Auditing
Isadore Selig, 57 Battery St., S. F....Transportation
Leo. A. Maldonado, 2821 Laguna St.....Information
Alice K. Metcalf, 2618 Coll. Ave., Berkeley. Finance
Winfield S. Runde, 62 Panoramic Way, "..Publicity
Monroe Jacobs, 530 Pine St., S. F.....Hotels
Annie Lindstrom, Sch. for Deaf, B'ley...Decorations
E. E. Norton, 1007 Tamoval St., S. F.....Reception
Th. d'Estre'la, Sch. for Deaf, B'ley..Entertainment
James W. Howson, 2915 Regent St., B'ley..Program
D. S. Luddy, 124 Primrose Rd., Burl...Meet. Places
Fred W. Ba rs, Sch. for Deaf, B'ley.....Printing
Mabel Luddy, Y. W. C. A. Bldg, Oakland. Secretary
L. C. Williams, 415 Lick Bldg, S. F.....Chairman

This committee is subject to expansion at any time, a name being added now and then, as found expedient, or deemed fitting for services volunteered or rendered. This committee has to date accumulated a fund of $1,082.53 net, in the following manner:—

From events conducted by organizations	$67 87
Proceeds of Lectures	31 10
" " Outings	83 39
" " Bazaar	359 35
Collected by pupils of the California School	375 22
Personal donations	258 05
Total	$1,174 98

EXPENDITURES.

Prizes	$14 25	
Commissions	21 15	
Sundry expenses	57 05	
		92 45
Balance on hand		$1,082 53

The committee has made full arrangements for meeting places for the convention, run a Bureau of Publicity which surely has made noise enough and no further mention, and is now daily expecting to close transportation arrangements. The further work of the committee, aside from fund-raising, will hinge mainly on the size of the fund and the attendance expected.

No. 5. To get the members of the Sphinx Club to join the Nad as a branch society and then let the club as a whole serve as a local committee. While the Sphinx Club is not organized as a branch of the Nad, the members are all Nads and are guaranteed continued and paid-up membership in both the National and State Associations as long as in good standing in the club, which stands ready at all times to serve the Nad with both money and effort, and is in all respects, save technically, a branch of the Nad, which is doing well enough, and we can afford to let well enough alone. The entire list of members will serve as assistants to Mr. Norton, Chairman of Receptions on the Local Committee, and will have a special day set apart for them during convention week, on which day the visiting Nads will be the guests of the club.

The Comrade Club, of Sacramento, is organized along the same lines as the Sphinx.

The Amapola Club, of Los Angeles, devotes one meeting each month to affairs of the National and State Associations exclusively, as does the Los Angeles Mission. So far, these organizations have not undertaken the guarantee plan, but we have hopes of their "seeing the light" one of these days. The great distance from here (five hundred miles) is a handicap to closer effort, although there are some good patriots down there, such as Mrs. Alice Terry, for instance, the lone lady director in the Cad, who are striving earnestly to bring about the desired result.

No. 6. Appoint State Organizers in California, Nevada, Utah and Arizona.

CALIFORNIA.—James W. Howson, M. A., whose phonemenal success is known to all Nads.

NEVADA.—Harold A. McNeilly, of Reno, a live wire and a very capable and enthusiastic young man, but sadly handicapped by lack of available material to work upon. He is the only deaf person in his town (the largest in Nevada), and there are barely a half dozen others in his whole State, scattered to the four winds. However, Mr. McNeilly is doing his best and employing his spare time chasing impostors and trying to reach the few in Nevada.

UTAH.—Miss Elizabeth DeLong has finally consented to help us out in this territory and we confidently expect some results in the near future.

ARIZONA.—Of the only two deaf whom I could locate in this State, one turned me down flat and the other did not even take the trouble to reply to my letter. I leave him to the burning sands and the horned toads of the Llano Estacado and wash my hands of Arizona.

HAWAII.—This territory was assigned to me on my request, at a time when I was somewhat younger than I am to-day and thought that there was an excellent chance of doing something in this gem of the Pacific, but the lady declined on account of contemplated removal to the mainland, and is now here. Thus did my budding ambitions suffer sqush.

THE PHILIPPINES.—Same complaint and same result in every particular, excepting the personnel of the ladye fair.

This is my report, Mr. President, down to date, and shows some success and some failure Just now, the fund is the thing, and after some floundering around and chasing our tail, we finally struck our gait and began to gather in the stuff that jingles. Times are bad here, the same as elsewhere, and are further aggravated by the three hundred and and more associations and societies, all striving to raise 1915 funds, the Belgian relief, Christmas, and any number of other things. It is a tradition that all things come to him who waits, but experience teaches me that they only come if one hustles meantime. So we figure on doing some more hustling, and if we are to beat Ohio's $1,907.00 we will have to step around lively. But it is evident that we will have a fund of at least respectable proportions, and in order to predicate our disbursements and not proceed on a Jack-leg plan, we wish we could get some idea of the number of delegates we may expect. We inquire for elucidation, HOW MANY?

Let the Nads get into communication with our Mr. Maldonado and tell us who are coming, and HOW MANY.

CALIFORNIA WILL BE READY.

Respectfully submitted,
L. C. WILLIAMS.

GALLAUDET HOME.

"Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring happy bells across the snow,
Ring out the false, ring in the true."

There is really no such a thing as a new or old year. From the time God said: "Let there be light," or ever since He created the world, we have been and will continue to live in one long year. For the sake of convenience and knowledge man has ingeniously divided time artificially into seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, years and centuries. Without this contrivance you all know how things would go. I suppose you all know how very bad off Robinson Crusoe was without an almanac when he was living on a small island all alone for years, hundreds of miles from land. As this is not an article on "Time," I must cut the subject short.

Just as the shades of light were falling, the day before Christmas, the matron received word over the telephone that her niece, Miss Martin, of Troy, had arrived in Poughkeepsie. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss Allen, as usual. As soon as the matron was informed of their arrival in Poughkeepsie she sent Janitor Murphy to a point between Poughkeepsie and Wappinger's Falls, known as "The Four-Corners," to meet the party. As quick as I can fill a line on this sheet of paper, on which I am writing this news with my Densmore typewriter, the Janitor was off in the snow-storm, which prevailed at the time, with the horse and sleigh, and within a short time he was back here with the two young maidens. They have been visiting this place once or twice a year since Mrs. Jones became matron, ten years ago, and always enjoy themselves on such visits. After supper on Christmas Eve, the matron and her assistants had their hands full decorating the dining room and other rooms with evergreen boughs and fancy chimeless paper bells. Miss Martin and Miss Allen did their share of the work of their own accord, so no help on the part of the matron was lacking.

A new boiler for holding hot water has been installed in the laundry

Miss Van Allen, the chambermaid, and Miss Rehan, the waitress, went shopping a few days before Christmas, in Poughkeepsie.

Although the snow is but an inch deep throughout, we have had good sleighing during the past week, and so long as cold weather prevails it will continue so.

Charley Ayers took sick a week before Christmas, but is now out of danger, and fairly on the road to recovery.

The great storm of December 7th was felt quite severely up here. Many of the trees around the house and on the road were more or less damaged. Most every shrub in the little flower-garden on the north side of the house was flattened with the ground

When we sat down to our breakfast on Christmas morning we found our presents on and around our plates Again, when we sat down to our Christmas dinner, we found more presents by our plates. Each of us found an envelope about three inches long and two inches wide on our plates. Each of these envelopes contained a new dollar bill wrapped around a card on which were the words "From your Home." We understand that the Lady Managers made us this present. Another present was a little stocking containing a twenty-five cent piece, affixed to the inside of a double card. It is needless to make known what presents we received. Some of us got a couple of handkerchiefs, a necktie, cuff buttons, a pipe, etc.

Mr. C. Q. McMann arrived here from his home in Yonkers, on the night of December 26th, and the day following preached a sermon on "Love," in the morning, and at two o'clock left for home.

Janitor Murphy had a couple of days off a week or so before Christmas to see his folks.

Rev. Mr. Keiser preached here on December 13th, 1914.

Miss Alice A. Bogle, a member of the Board of Lady Managers, accompanied by two lady friends, made the Home a short call a few days before Christmas. It was a business call.

Our supply of water being low, a few weeks before Christmas, we were unable to take our customary bath, but managed to keep ourselves clean without a bath.

Kalamazoo, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Tellier, who have been in Iowa since last June, will be home some time in January.

Kalamazoo Division, No 34 of the N. F. S. D., has selected new officers as follows: President, Edward Parsons; Vice-President, John Orvis; Secretary, Fred Wheeler; Treasurer, Moses Graff; Director, Norbert Quinn; Sergeant, Frank Adams; Trustee for three years, M. M. Taylor.

Rev. B. R. Allabough, Chairman of the N. A. D. Civil Service Commission, has appointed Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Taylor as his agents for Western Michigan, including Jackson and Lansing. The agents will gather labor statistics of the deaf, and also hear complaints of discrimination against the deaf, if any, and make report to the chairman.

Francis P. Gibson, of Chicago, was in Kalamazoo last October and entertained some forty deaf people with an excellent talk on lodge and insurance matters, on which he is an authority. He made a favorable impression. He said that the N. F. S. D. will probably have a home of its own in the near future. The State insurance examiners, he said, have complimented the members on the efficiency of their organization, and were pleasantly surprised to find the organization run by a deaf man. He did not say exactly "a deaf man," for it would be self-praise. He was frank enough to say that the credit belonged to his superior officers, also deaf men. But we all knew whose brains did the work. As we looked upon him standing on the platform, delivering his lecture in such a graceful manner, and ready with instant replies to questions from the audience, we saw for the first time a real deaf business man, shrewd, cautious and conservative as any banker. It had always been assumed that a deaf man cannot succeed as a business man, and the fact that a great majority of the deaf people are not in business of their own, proves it. Mr Gibson's success was, therefore, a surprise to the State insurance investigators and examiners, who declared that the N. F. S. D. stood among the very best companies in the country, as regards financial stability. He has demonstrated conclusively that it is possible for the deaf to enter business, because he chose the insurance business, which is a top-notcher—a difficult, complicated and intricate job—as a starter, and overcame it. How about the less difficult jobs, such as the clothing business, grocery business, drug business, etc.? Gibson is still a young man with a fine athletic frame that bespeaks a long life of usefulness. Watch him.

Mrs. Abbie L. Ketcham, of Benton Harbor, Mich., who graduated from the Hartford School some sixty years ago, remembers having seen the founder of the school, Rev. T. H. Gallaudet. She is seventy-four years old, and is still sewing for a living. She would like to go to Hartford in 1917, when the N. A. D. meets there, but doubts if she can stand the long journey.

Miss Orpha I. Wood, the bright writer for the *Mirror* of the Flint School under the non de plume of "Duchess," is setting type for a newspaper at Mesick, Wexford County. Another compositor, Mrs. Corcoran, is working on a weekly at Mason, Mich.

Mrs Frank Adams, who has been with relatives in Muskegon during the holidays, is expected home in the middle of January.

Kalamazoo has a silent five basket-ball team. They will practice with the Kalamazoo College reserves, and then challenge teams in nearby towns. The team is composed of Moses Graff, Norbert Quinn, John Orvis, Eddie Parsons and Martin Francisco, of Allegan. Martin Taylor is the manager.

It is time for Michigan to wake up and help the various funds now on, especially the De l'Epee Memorial fund, of which M. M. Taylor is State agent. So far only ten dollars have been credited to Michigan. Without doubt Michigan will do her duty as she always did in the past, but do not let it be too near convention time (1917), for already some States have gone far ahead, Minnesota giving three hundred dollars, and it may be difficult for Michigan to overcome it and retain her prestige. Do it now. Send money to Treasurer Schroeder, of St. Paul, Mich., or to his local agent.

M. M. T.

CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF MUTES.

NEW YORK DISTRICT NOTICES.

St. Ann's Church, N. Y. Every Sunday, 9 A.M., and 3 P.M. Holy Communion, January 17th, 9 A.M.

St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn. Every Sunday, 3 P.M. Holy Communion, January 31st.

JANUARY.

10—St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, 11 A.M.
Gallaudet Home, 10.30 A.M. Holy Communion.

17—Trinity Church, Newark, N. N. J., 3 P.M., Holy Communion.

24—St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, 11 A.M., Holy Communion
Gallaudet Home, 10:30 A.M.

31—St. John's Church, Passaic, N. J., 3 P.M.

CATHOLIC CHURCH NOTICES.

St. Francis Xavier's, 30 West 16th Street.—Instruction and Services in the College Hall, at 3:30 P.M., on the first and third Sundays of the month.

St. Rose's, 165th Street, west of Amsterdam Avenue.—Services and Catechism on Sundays at 9 A.M.

St. Vincent Ferrer's, Lexington Avenue and 66th Street.—Services and Catechism on Sundays at 9 A.M.

BROOKLYN.—Knights of Columbus Hall, Hanson Place and South Portland Avenue.—Religious Instruction at 3:30 P.M., on the fourth Sunday of the month.
Under the direction of

REV. M. R. MCCARTHY, S.J.

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Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
'Neath the all-beholding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves most base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race"

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ORGANIZED effort among the deaf has always been directed to the task of honestly placing before the public the truth about them and their education.

"Educate the Public about the Deaf!" has ever been the slogan of the intelligent and public-spirited deaf.

Let us begin with the premise that deafness is a handicap throughout the entire journey of life, which is ameliorated in proportionate degree to the wisdom that has directed their education and training.

Hitherto the effort to enlighten the public concerning the true status of the deaf has been directed at and confined to men and women whose attention and interests are centred in their several worldly occupations. They have no time to study scholastic problems or investigate educational results. These are most easily reached and strongly impressed by such sensational announcements as "The tongue of the dumb has been unloosed!" and far and wide the erroneous conclusion is that speech flows with the musical ripple of the pebbly brook. So generations of the public marvel and become "educated" into a fallacious belief that no human power can eradicate. Henceforth a deaf man or woman who makes a sign, or talks by the finger alphabet, is relegated by this particular generation to the obsolete days that preceded "the new method," which endows the dumb with speech and makes them just like other people. Under these circumstances, should the voice of the people be regarded as the voice of God?

Much of the literature addressed to the hearing public by the deaf, seems to presume upon a knowledge of the deaf and an interest in their affairs and lives that do not exist.

The editor of the JOURNAL would suggest that a new method be tried, and that it be sanctioned and carried out by the National Association of the Deaf.

Begin at the schools for hearing children.

Present to the Boards of Education in different cities, a fair, frank, truthful, brief and strong statement, in the form of a circular, and ask that it be read at least once a year to all Grammar and High School pupils in assembly. Present it also to the ministers of all the churches and houses of worship that can be reached.

The circular might contain a preliminary statement of the object aimed at, and also:—

1. A brief reference to the causes of deafness, the handicap it imposes, the limitations it compels.

2. A simple paragraph enumerating the methods employed in teaching the deaf.

3. Tell them unequivocally that the most intelligent and highest educated deaf men and women believe in the oral (or speech) method up to the point where it does not hinder mental development or elementary education.

4. Explain the difference between the ability to speak words, and the ability to know what words mean.

5. State the true significance and breadth of what is called "The Combined System," showing that it utilizes all known methods and ignores none, that it fits the method to the child and not the child to the method. Do not fail to assert boldly and truthfully that speech and lip-reading are taught with greater success in "combined" schools than in exclusively oral schools.

6. Explain the difference between those who became deaf after ordinary speech had been acquired, and those whose deafness began at birth or in early childhood.

7. Tell about the sign-language and emphasize the uncontrollable impulse of the deaf to notice gestures and to employ them. Sound can never reach the eye, and it is through the eye that the deaf hear. Spoken words addressed to the eye are merely lip-gestures and facial movements.

8. A few words about the results of education as exemplified in the lives of graduates of our educational Institutions.

9. Sound a note of warning concerning impostors who graft upon public sympathy on pretense of being deaf and dumb.

If salient truths such as are outlined could reach the ears of boys and girls at the time when their minds are most actively and intelligently receptive, each coming generation would carry into the world accurate information that would greatly enhance the welfare of the deaf, since it must have an enlightened influence upon their educational interests and beget a truer measure of their active worth as factors in the commonweal.

Spear is still on the Job

EDITOR JOURNAL: In regard to the bill now before Congress (Senate Bill 4722, House Bill 15217) to create a bureau for the deaf in the Department of Labor, I wish to say I recently had a personal interview with Senate Clapp, at his home, and went over it fully with him. The Senator assured me there is no opposition to the measure, and he has good hopes of getting favorable action this winter. The Senator wished me to tell the deaf people not to be discouraged on the delay, but to continue to write to their Congressmen, calling their attention to the bill. The great trouble, as he informed me, is to get action on the bill, on account of extraordinary pressure of business. He assured me he has no doubt the bill will be favorably acted on, whenever he can induce the committee to take it up.

He also assured me, if he fails to get action on the bill at this session of Congress, he will bring the matter up in the next Congress, and in such case, having already been introduced and referred to a committee, it will have a strong standing, and it will be comparatively easy to get action. The deaf people must not feel discouraged, but must remember it takes time to get laws through Congress, but if we keep at it, we will succeed.

Senator Clapp assured me personally that he will do all in his power to hurry it along and he has talked with other Senators, and they all consider it a just measure. He says it will be of help to him, if the deaf and their friends will write to their Senators and Representatives, calling attention to the matter. I sincerely hope those who can will write, and I should be glad also, if the l.p.f. would commend the bill, sending marked copies to Congressmen and Senators.

As for myself, I need hardly tell the deaf that I am in touch with the situation, and will continue to do all I can for the success of the bill.

A. R. Spear.

MINNEAPOLIS, JAN. 1st.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE

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GALLAUDET COLLEGE.

On the evening of December 30th, the undergraduates and Faculty gathered in Chapel Hall, to bid a fond adieu to the old year, and a glad welcome to the new.

The affair had been arranged by the Faculty, and was conducted by President Hall and Miss Peet. (The majority of the students spent the early hours of the evening in the down town section of the city, celebrating. Thus it came about, that it was nearly eleven-thirty before a good-sized gathering had assembled.)

The time between eleven-thirty, and twelve was spent in games, but as the midnight hour approached, the Seniors slipped out one by one, and mounting into the belfry of the chapel, rang out the old and in the new, while, simultaneously, a row of giant crackers was set off by some one behind the stage. The whole contributed to produce a scene of exhiliaration and excitement such as has rarely been seen in grim old Chapel Hall.

After the first peals of the Chapel Bell had rung out their message of good cheer, Miss Gwin, '17, mounted to the rostrum of the hall, and in a beautiful and expressive manner, delivered a poem upon New Year's. Following this, the students and Co-eds paired off, and refreshments of ice-cream and cake were served. The festivities of the evening broke up at about 12:30.

The morning of January 1st (1915) marked several delightful receptions given by various members of the Faculty. President and Mrs. Hall, aided by the young ladies of the Senior and Junior classes, received from ten to twelve. Mrs. Hotchkiss and the young women of the Sophomore class received from eleven to twelve. Miss Peet and the Co-eds of the Freshman class welcomed the young men from ten-thirty to twelve. Mrs. Draper, ably aided by the girls of the Preparatory class, received from ten to twelve. At each of the various receptions, the guests were browbeaten till they had partaken of something in the way of refreshments, and by the time Foltz, '15, had completed the round, he was feeling like a tank, having indiscriminately quaffed off cider, punch, coffee, lemonade, and we don't know what else! At first it was thought that the stomach pump would have to be resorted to, but "Folly" finally came out of his coma. Since then he has taken the pledge.

The other evening, quite a furor was created in the refectory by the appearance of one of those little quadrupeds who are held in such abhorrence by the "Sex." Mr. Rodent was about as welcome as a snow-storm in June. The crowd gathered around the tables no sooner laid eyes on him than it rose en-masse and gave chase. The little gray chap proved to be a good sprinter, however, and ye scribe would have been willing to lay all his kale on his winning the race. But after a ten-minutes chase, Rockwell, '16, stepped upon the unwelcome intruder (quite by accident, of course), and thereby "hanged" a tail. (Exit of Johnny Mouse.)

BASKET BALL

Not satisfied with the drubbing meted out to them last year, the West again challenged the East to a game of basket ball.

The team, composed of players residing west of the Rockies and east of the Rockies, respectively, came together on the evening of January 2d, and indulged in a red hot exhibition of basketball, in which the Westerners turned the table on their Eastern rivals, winning by a score of 36—15.

The score does not begin to tell the story of the game, the contest being much harder and more fiercely fought than is indicated by the record of points scored. Both teams were out to win, and each played in a manner that demonstrated its determination to cart home the bacon.

The contest was witnessed by the Co eds, who were as spirited in rooting for their favorites as the most rabid of the West-wingers.

The first half was nip and tuck, with the Westerners having a slight margin at the call of time. In this session, the Easterners got the jump early, rolling up six or eight points before the Westerners found their basketball legs. But when the Westerners got the range they quickly offset their opponents' advantage, and the half ended 14—9. In this period, the Easterners lost several points through their inability to cage the sphere.

In the second half, the Westerners came on in a rush, and swept the Easterners completely off their feet. They scored again and again, from every angle of the court, chiefly through their superior team work, being aided materially by the poor guarding of their opponents.

Although the Easterners put a strong team into the field, and played hard and aggressively throughout the contest, there is no room for doubting that the Westerners had a vastly superior aggregation. The Westerners had four regulars in their line up, while the Eastern lads had but two. All things considered, the result of the game was what might have been expected, with the Westerners playing true to form.

For the victors, the Wenger brothers and Classen played a rattling good game, while Foltz and Rockwell put up a good showing for their team.

EASTERNERS		WESTERNERS
Schowe	l.f.	R. Wenger
Foltz	r.f.	Mellis
Rasmussen	c.	A. Wenger
Rockwell	l.g.	Classen
Harms	r.g.	Keeley

In addition to the schedule published a few weeks ago, Manager Butterbaugh has booked a game with the Clark Deaf-Mute Team, said game to be played at New York during the northern trip of the team. The date announced is February 23d.

"HELP!"

COMMITTEE: Edwin A. Hodgson, Rev. M. R. McCarthy, S. J., Rev. John H. Keiser, Mrs. Isaac Goldberg, Mrs. Moses Heyman, Mrs. John H. Keiser, Mrs. Wm. Lipgens.

BULLETIN No. 5.

In response to Miss Yvonne Pitrois' cry for help for the war-stricken Belgian Deaf, who are in need of food and clothing, the following has been contributed and sent to the undersigned:—

(Send contributions to Edwin A. Hodgson, Editor DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, P. O. Station M, New York City.)

Edwin A. Hodgson	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. Marcus L. Kenner	2 00
Minnie M. Price, Middlebury, Vt.	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. Heyman	5 00
William S. Abrams	1 00
George T. Dougherty	1 00
Alex McIlwraith	1 00
Mrs. E. Souweine	2 00
Elnora Rose	1 03
Ida L. Frank	2 00
Mrs. Annie S. Lashbrook	1 00
Mrs. W. Buhle	1 00
Charles Wiemuth	50
Mrs. Oscar Pfeiffer (through her sister, Mrs. Moses Heyman)	15 00
Fanwood Girls (through Miss Wanda Makowski)	1 96
Fanwood Boys (through Jean Paul Gruet)	4 26
May Dougherty, Putnam, Ct.	1 00
Edwin C. Harah, Rockwood, Pa.	1 00
Mrs. G. M. Teegarden, Pittsburg	1 00
Through Rev. Philip J. Hasenstab:—	
Chicago Mission	2 00
Rock River Mission	1 04
Through Father McCarthy, S. J.:—	
Children of Mary, Brooklyn	5 00
Xavier Ephpheta Society	2 00
Ephphetans	3 00
Xavier League of the Sacred Heart	1 00
Brooklyn De l'Epee Society	1 00
Through Vernon S. Birck:—	
Superintendent, Teachers, Pupils and Employes, of the North Carolina School for the Deaf	25 00
Samuel Frankenheim	3 00
Charles Schatzkin	1 00
Miss Marion E. Finch, Salem, Ore.	1 00
Brown Family, Warren, O.	1 50
Mr. and Mrs. Reichard, Niles, O.	50
Victor R. Anderson	50
League of Elect Surds	5 00
Mr. and Mrs. Risley, Pittsfield, Mass.	1 00
Deaf Residents and Students on Kendall Green (through Harley D. Drake)	17 00
Pupils, Teachers and Officers of the Louisiana School for the Deaf (through Rev. H. L. Tracy)	8 45
Collected at Gallaudet Day Celebration under the auspices of All Angels' Mission, Chicago, Ill., (through Rev. G. F. Flick)	16 00
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lipgens	5 00
Harry R. Hart, Chicago	3 00
Mr. and Mrs. Richard McCabe, Gloversville, N. Y.	1 00
The Deaf of Duluth, Minn., (through J. C. Howard)	30 00
Through George W. Veditz:—	
Miss Bonita Mawhiney	5 00
Miss Kate Calhoun	2 00
Milford McCamey	1 00
Mr. Stutsman	1 00
C. P. Jones	50
The En Avant Literary Society	5 00
Collected by Mrs. Veditz from the teachers and officers of the Colorado School in sums ranging from ten cents to $2.00 each	15 05
Collected by Miss Young from the employes and girl pupils of the Colorado School	6 90
Collected by Mrs. Winemiller from the boys of the Colorado School	1 62
Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldberg	5 00
St. George's Bible Class, Schenectady, N. Y. (through Arthur T. Bailey)	2 30
Dr. J. B. Hotchkiss, Washington	1 00
Mr. E. Souweine	1 00
Teachers and Pupils of the Missouri Institution, Fulton (through Mr. Henry Gross)	20 05
Detroit Bible Association of the Deaf (through John G. T. Berry)	4 50
Clerc Club, Oakley, O., (through Wylie D. Ross, Treas.)	5 00
Olof Hanson and Family, Seattle, Wash.	4 00
Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Keiser	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. Barney Siegel	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. John O'Rourke	2 00
W. H. Schaub, St. Louis	1 00
Grace H. Hastings	1 00
Henry M. Hall, Pittsburg	1 00
John Kessler, N. Dak.	50
Henry C. Kohlman	2 00
Sylvester J. Fogarty	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Holliday, Pittsburg	2 00
Total to date	$273 13

EDWIN A. HODGSON.

Isidore Lewis Wanted.

If Mr. Isidore Lewis will see Mr. Marcus L. Kenner at the Hebrew Congregation of the Deaf, at Temple Emanuel, 43d Street and Fifth Avenue, on Friday evening, January 8th, 1915, he will receive very important news to his interest.

Anyone knowing Mr. Lewis' address should please send it Mr. Kenner.

California Forever!

Their brows are glad, their eyes beneath
Flash like keen falchions from the sheath,
And like a meteorite's lines
Their hands acclaim in deaf-mute signs:
Watch me grow!
Three hundred!

J. Fritz Smeagher.

POSSUM CORNERS, June 16, 1914.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—I read the *California News* for June 1st with a great deal of pleasure. This paper is always interesting. The editor is a keen observer and a deep thinker. He also knows how to clothe his observations and his thinks in elegant language. The *Itemizer*, by Mr. d'Estrella, is never dull. The "Blind Department," conducted by my old friend, Mr. Herbert R. Chapman, contains many think-bits, even for those not directly interested in the blind. Not long ago another department was started. It is devoted to the California Association of the Deaf, and is conducted by Mr. Winfield S. Runde. Mr. Runde is the Chairman of the Committee on Publicity of the Association. He has made his department a crackerjack. I have wondered if his cow would ever run dry and his department would consist of a barren item or two, but in issue after issue, he has filled his two or more pages, not only with the milk but with the cream of news about the Association, its spirit and its doings.

The whole Association is a cable of live wires, and Mr. Runde's department does the Association and himself credit. Its pages are the first I turn to when I get the paper. I dare say they are also the first the grown-up California deaf read through.

And there is a reason. There is a new spirit among these Californians. It is a mighty fine spirit. They are banding together not only for their own interests, but to give the N. A. D. next year the finest, the most open-handed, the most open-armed, the most open-hearted welcome it has ever received in its thirty-five years of existence. It will break my heart if by any chance I shall not be present to see this welcome and share in it.

I wish this splendid California spirit were like a torch, whose fire could be borrowed and applied to other torches among the deaf in other States. I think it would be good if its fire could be applied to the torch of the deaf of my own State to shed the same kind of light over the deaf here. It would mean progressiveness, harmony, good-feeling and standing together, shoulder to shoulder.

The California deaf have been of California and the Californians for over forty years. I first rubbed elbows with them in 1886, and admired them. But, they began to wake up in earnest only a few years ago. About five years ago, Dr. Warring Wilkinson, the old California Superintendent, retired. He was succeeded by Mr. Douglas Keith, a gentleman who had no practical experience as an educator of the deaf, though he had been employed in Dr. Wilkinson's office. The California deaf watched him closely. By and by, they found that Mr. Keith was worshipping strange educational gods in the house of the oral Rimmon and Moloch. He favored a method of teaching the deaf which they did not favor, but condemned.

Mr. Keith did not seem able to grasp the fact that under the old management, the California School had made one of the very finest records of any school anywhere within the one hundred and ninety-seven million square miles of the earth's surface. This record was not based on the scholarship of its graduates only, but on their successful and honorable after-school life. Perhaps he thought the school was behind the times, because it had fewer oral teachers than any other school of its size in America. I happened to write a *billet doux* to Mr. Keith at the time, calling his attention to these things. I have a copy of his answer still, and am not surprised that the militant California deaf found him a bolus too bitter and nauseating to swallow.

They decided that he was not the right man to control their old school. They told Governor Hiram W. Johnson that he was incompetent. The Governor held a long investigation, and the result was that Mr. Keith was removed, and the place that once knew him now knows him no more. Neither does any other place in any other school for the deaf.

This little case of Mr. Keith *vs.* the California deaf made me respect and admire the victors in the fight very much. I think it is the first case on record where the deaf of a great State forced in an open fight the removal of a superintendent because of incompetency. In a former letter I explained how the deaf of Minnesota won as great a victory last winter when they dictated the educational policy of their school.

These things show what the deaf can do in such matters if their cause is just, and if they are wise enough to stick together and follow the advice of wise leaders. About one hundred years ago, Mr. N. Bonaparte once said, "At the present day bayonets think." He meant that the soldiers in his time were no longer like dumb, driven cattle, like the sixteen thousand soldiers the Landgrave of Hesse sold to Mr. George Guelph, Third of England, to fight our patriots during the Revolution. So, at the present day, the deaf of America THINK. They are also beginning to ACT. The day is past when they fawned on their superintendents, and approached their little thrones on their knees, and bowed their foreheads in the dust, before their we-know-it-all-and-you-know-nothing assumption.

But I have wandered from the point. What I started out to say was that the C. A. D. Committee of Five, Messrs. Howson, Lester, Jacobs, Lohmeyer and Runde, announces in this issue of the *California News* for June 1st, that up to May 24th, it had received $432.64, mostly in dues. Of this sum $90.00 was paid to the California Association as its share for membership dues; $22.20 to the *California News* as its share; and to the N. A. D., as its share, $247 00.

There was some expense for printing and postage, and the committee had a balance of $20.81.

I wish a moving picture film could have been taken of Treasurer Harley D. Drake when he received this check for $247. I suppose he would look like Mr. John Bunny when Mr. John Bunny feels very much pleased. Mr. John Bunny knows how to smile all over.

This check for $247, sent to the N. A. D. treasury, means that there are 247 new California Nads. Adding the eighteen names in the Cleveland report we have 265. I must stop awhile and get my breath back again.

California now has a population of about 2,500,000, not counting the Japs and the fleas that are almost as bad as the Japs. That would seem that there is no Nad in about each nine thousand of the population. My own state has a population of about 825,000. At the California rate, it should have about ninety Nads. I believe it has only about thirty. There are certainly sixty more who should be enrolled. At the same rate, Ohio should have five hundred Nads, Illinois six hundred, Minnesota two hundred twenty-five, Missouri three hundred fifty, New York one thousand, and the whole United States over ten thousand.

California has done her share in full measure. She is the only state that has furnished her full quota in the army of ten thousand Nads.

But she is not going to stop. She wants three hundred. I will bet you a nickel with a hole in it, Mr. Editor, that she will get them—and a few more for good measure.

My friend, the Cadi, tell me that the moving spirit, the *deus ex machina*, the master pilot at the helm of this splendid movement is the new C. A. D. President, Mr. Leo. C. Williams. I hope Mr. Williams will permit me to take off my hat to him and pay him the homage of a profound bow. I hope he will permit me to admire him. I do most sincerely. I like to give credit where credit is due. I am sorry I said some sharp and maybe cutting things about Mr. Williams some time ago. I trust he will forget them.

But this magnificent spirit of get-together and work-together among the California deaf has its chief source in one fact.

This fact is that the N. A. D. meets in San Francisco next year.

This will be California's convention, and she is making the most of it. But why not make it the convention of the whole Pacific Coast? It will be years and years before the N. A. D. again dips its banners in the western sea. Why cannot Oregon and Washington include themselves in this splendid movement? Why should not their deaf adopt this same splendid get-together, work-together spirit? Why should they not likewise aim at a high mark in N. A. D. membership? Eighty for Oregon and one hundred thirty for Washington? And all of them try to be in San San Francisco July 19–24, 1915?

It was always thus. When Cleveland won the honor of the 1913 meeting, every Buckeye deaf-mute, sat up, rubbed his eyes and began to take notice. The deaf of the nearby states also became alert. When Colorada Springs received the 1910 sugar plum, the Colorado deaf ate, drank, worked, played and slept on a diet of N. A. D. The Norfolk meeting had the same galvanizing effect upon the deaf of Virginia.

At Cleveland I had a constitutional amendment calling for a convention every two years instead of every three. It was voted down in committee. I now more than ever believe the amendment should have carried. We cannot all of us hope to attend every Nad meeting, but a convention every two years will have an awakening, rejuvenating, galvanizing effect upon the deaf of the state and section in which it is held. Our country is too big to permit a wait of three long years between meetings. We should meet oftener. Let us meet biennially instead of triennially.

Give us biennial conventions and thus give us a more frequent repetition in different sections of our country of the fine spirit that is now cheering, urging on the California deaf. I shall again submit at San Francisco the amendment that failed at Cleveland. If it fails there, I shall submit it again in 1920, and if necessary in 1923, and again and again, unless I am under the sod, until it carries. It is my privilege as a member.

Respectfully,
MASANIELLO.

POSTCRIPT, Dec. 20, 1914:—This letter was written more than half a year ago. I did not send it in at the time, because I thought it would be crowded out by convention and other news. I also wished to give others a chance to express their appreciation of the California spirit. This spirit is growing in strength and beauty. It seems to envelope not only the adult deaf of the state but the entire school at Berkeley. Superintendent Milligan is in full sympathy and touch with the deaf, and, I believe, enjoys their full confidence as a result. The pupils of the school raised $375.22 for the local N. A. D.'s fund. This is something wonderful and without precedent. A bazaar held a few weeks ago netted $359.35. The local fund now has $1,082.53. They intend to make it $6,000. I believe they will.

The N. A. D. membership is well over three hundred.

California has already set a record that will be very, very hard for any future convention state to equal or to beat.

How do they do it? Will Mr. Williams please publish the recipe? Please use simple language that a poor cobbler like myself can understand.

WASHINGTON.

The annual Christmas Entertainment and Festival of Calvary Baptist Mission was held in the parlors of Calvary Baptist Church, on the evening of December 31st, 1914. It was a beautiful winter evening, and a huge crowd was on hand to partake of the excellent program and the collation which followed. The piece de resistance was a travelogue by Prof. J. A. McIlvaine, of the Mt. Airy School, who for nearly two hours kept his audience spellbound with tales of his trip through England and the Continent and the vicissitudes he and his party encountered after the breaking out of the European War. Mrs. J. F Flood signed an appropriate Christmas anthem, and Dr. S. H. Greene, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, gave a short talk complimenting the mission upon its growth and the good work it has been doing. Mrs. A. D. Bryant interpreted his remarks. The committee in charge of the proceedings was composed of the following: Mrs. Souder, Chairman, Rev. and Mrs. Bryant and Messrs. Lowell, Flood and Boswell. The committee wishes to thank those volunteers who so ably assisted in caring for the wants of their guests. The committee wishes to express its appreciation especially to Mr. Wallace Edington and several other young men from Gallaudet College, whose names at present have slipped our ken.

The first annual Masquerade Ball of Washington Division No. 46, N. F. S. D., will be held in Rifle's Armory, G Street, near 9th, N. W., on the evening of January 15th, 1915. The committee in charge is composed of Bros. Marchman, chairman, Stewart, Lowell, Bernsdorff, and Courtney. This is a committee of hustlers, and nothing will be left undone to make the affair a success, and every one who attends is assured the time of their lives. Come one, come all. Remember the date and place.

The next Social at Calvary Baptist Church will come off on the evening of January 20th. Misses Myers and Waters, and Mrs. S. H. Edington and daughter, Miss Maud, will look after the arrangements.

Susie, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfunder recently underwent an operation for the removal of adenoids. The operation was entirely successful, and she is now enjoying much better health than prior thereto.

Miss Minnie Kipp is slowly but steadily regaining her health and strength since the serious operation she had to undergo some time ago.

Prospects are bright for a Division of the N. F. S. D. in Richmond, Va., in the near future. This is due principally to the hustling proclivity of the wideawake president of Washington Division, Mr. Irby H. Marchman, who went down to the Virginia City during the Christmas holidays and succeeded in sending in a batch of applications to Headquarters. If all the Frats were hustlers of the Marchman type, the hopes of President Anderson of having 4000 members by next July be would realized.

The Board of Officers of Washington Division N. F. S. D, for 1915, is composed of the following: President, I. H. Marchman; Vice-President, H. S. Edington; Secretary, E. E. Bernsdorff; Treasurer, Wm. Pfunder; Director, R. J. Stewart; Sergeant-at-Arms, J. R. Courtney; Trustee (for three years), Rev. H. C. Merrill. Rev. A. D. Bryant were admitted and initiated as a social member, at the December meeting.

"Jakie" Eskin entertained the member of the old High Fire Club one evening not long ago. The same old game was played and the same old refreshments were on tap. All those present had a very enjoyable evening.

OCCASIONAL.

NEW YORK.

News items for this column, should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

The recently organized Washington Heights Church Athletic League is, as its name implies, an association of young men from several churches banded together in the interest of the physical well-being of its members, and to foster a spirit of friendly rivalry by means of inter-church athletic contests. Athletic associations have existed in the churches for some time, but this is the first attempt to weld these units into a compact organization with a representative central committee and a more comprehensive athletic policy. At present seven churches have signed the articles of agreement. They are :—St. Nicholas Presbyterian Church, 141st Street and St. Nicholas Avenue : St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 145th Street and Convent Avenue ; St. Ann's Church for the Deaf, 511 West 148th Street ; North Presbyterian Church, 529 West 155th Street ; Washington Heights Baptist Church, 145th Street and Convent Avenue ; the Chapel of the Intercession, Broadway and 155th Street.

During the winter months a basket-ball tournament will be held. The first game of St. Ann's Silent Five will be played Tuesday, January 5th, their opponents being the quintet from the North Presbyterian Church. Game will be played on St. Ann's court. The schedule for the series will be published in the JOURNAL as soon as a few alalterations are made.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Simonson invited a few intimate friends to a watchnight partyin their apartments on West End Avenue on New Year's Eve, and several pleasant games were indulged in to kill time while waiting for the momentous interval between the old year and the new to arrive, and when it did arrive, there was much cheering and warm and felicitous greetings were exchanged. Then the host and hostess, well-known for their lavish and elaborate hospitality in the past, well sustained their fame in this instance, when they asked the expectant guests to invade the dining room. A very pretty scene burst on their view when they beheld how beautifully the table was decorated in honor of the new year. In the centre, there stood a snow man about two feet high, made entirely of white cotton and skillfully moulded by Mr. Simonson himself, and on a sheet of ice, covered with sparkling snow flakes. The ice was, in reality, a sheet of looking-glass. Snow balls surrounded the statue, and here and there small dolls were observed coasting down one of the little hills and many others skating and indulging in snow sports. Grape fruit started the supper, followed by devilled crab meat, then a hugh turkey with the usual condiments, and lastly, ice cream in the shape of Christmas bells. Much speechifying was freely dispensed for the amusement of the merrymakers. Kind words and loud cheers were given for the pleased entertainers. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Dickerson, Mr and Mrs. Osmond Loew, Mrs. M. W. Loew, and Messrs. Sam Frankenheim, H. C. Kohlman, Morton S Moses and M. L. Kenner. It was in the wee sma' hours when the party sought wraps and coats and wended howeward in the still streets, save now and then when the pavements rattled when a milk wagon was passing.

The ladies of the Parish Aid Society are getting up something entirely new in the entertainment line, for Saturday, January 23d. Mrs. Fosmire is in charge, and will charge everyone thirty-five cents to enter the Guild Room of St Ann's Church on that evening. But the show will be exteraordinary and well worth the price. It is to be a Vaudeville and Minstrel show. Get a ticket and join the crowd.

Mr. Albert J. Amateau, General Manager, of the Society for the welfare of the Jewish Deaf, will make his initial apperance as Religious Leader of The Hebrew Congregation of the Deaf, at the vestry rooms of Temple Emanu-El, Fifth Avenue and 43d Street, this Friday evening, January 8th. An unusually large attendance is anticipated.

The New York Knights of De l'Epee announce that they have engaged Mr. Anson T. Colt, well known to deaf, to give a lecture in their rooms of Vera Cruz (K of C) Building, 305 East 23d Street, New York City, Thursday, January 28th, 1915, at 8:30 P.M. His subject will be "The Mind and The Life." Admission will be fifteen cents each.

Lutheran Mission

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church for the deaf. Services in the sign-language in the church, 426 Broome Street, every Sunday at 3 P.M.

ARTHUR BOLL, *Pastor.*

CHICAGO.

News items for this column should be sent to S. H. Howard, 1460 East 57th Street, Chicago, Ill.

Chester C. Colman, of Ronan, Mont., wrote in his letter of December 27th : "To-day is Sunday of the Yuletide, the time to think of absent friends—my thoughts are of you and all your kindness, so I send you my Christmas greetings to you all.

"The last two weeks have been the very hardest and most strenuous of my life. I will tell how : On the 12th of December, I was going to town, but met the threshing man on the way, telling me that he was ready to move any time, and would let us neighbors know by the blow of the whistle, calling us down to help. His place is eight miles from here. Sure enough, the whistle did blow at high noon of Sunday, December 13th, and it was eighteen below zero that day. We went with our teams dragging the heavy machine along over the snow and slippery hills slowly for several miles till midnight, and then went further on in the morning and did not reach the first place until midnight. It was terribly cold—at ten below zero for several days. The machine finally reached my place in the afternoon of December 22d, and threshing was done the next day at noon.

"If I had my wheat threshed early in the fall, I might have saved 75 to 100 bushels more. But that can't be helped. Farmers have to battle with the bad weather and have enough grit left to try again for 1915.

"The year of 1914 has been the worst one as far as the weather is concerned. Too hot and dry in Spring and Summer; too wet in Fall. We hope however that we will have better results in 1915.

"I received a long letter from Edward Garrett recently. He is on a 320-acre claim in Scranton Co., Montana, 57 miles from the nearest railroad town. He is doing fairly well in his mighty struggles. Well, if he sticks to it, he will have it paid in full within ten years. I tell you pioneering is NO FUN; it is all an uphill struggle. Sticktoitiveness is the only way to win.

"My health is No 1. The fractured rib is completely healed.

"I am anticipating an armful of mail and gifts to-morrow."

Mrs. Jennie Gallaher had the sad misfortune to break her ankle, December 1st, while walking on a slippery street at Lincoln, Ill., during her visit to her sister. She had planned to go on to her own plantation in Mississippi for the winter, as she goes there every winter.

David Wildermuth, of Leipsic, O., attends the Art Institute for several months.

E. E. Carlson is an expert tailor and cutter. He will be pleased to receive orders from deaf-mutes for new suits and overcoats, at 3235 Fullerton Avenue.

It is reported that all the deaf-mutes had merry socials and parties on North, West and South Sides, during the holiday week.

Billiards, whist and chess were in full blast at the Parish House on Christmas and New Year Eves.

At Duplicate Whist, Mrs. Wilte won a prize of a set of silver nut picks and cracker, and Fred Woodworth, a hand mirror.

Messrs. Flick, Hemstreet, Woodworth and Hazel, are fine chess players.

Edwin Hazel attends school at Jacksonville, Ill., and hopes to enter Gallaudet College in two or three years.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Eller (*nee* Showalter, formerly of West Virginia), December 30th, 1914.

Mr. Bradley, of Roseland, and Mrs. Ellen Heinlein were married by Rev. Hasenstab not long ago The happy couple had met by chance at the cemetery where they both decorated the graves of the departed and began to make love. Romance ?

A birthday surprise party was given in honor of Mrs. D. R. MacDonald by her friends, at her residence on Monday evening, December 30th. She was taken by surprise completely and received several elegant presents.

There will be a Literary entertainment at the Parish House, on Saturday evening, January 16th. Mrs. Dougherty, the chairman, won't tell what her plans are, but promises a good time to all.

The monthly meeting of the Pas-a-Pas Club was held at the Parish House, on Saturday night; eighteen out of thirty-four members were present.

The new officers which I mentioned in my last letter, were duly elected, and promised to do their best for the year of 1915. The idea of securing a new hall elsewhere was discussed at length, but was wisely postponed until May 1st, by vote.

Jesse A. Waterman and Fred Kauffman were admitted into the Club, and cordially greeted by the members and ladies who were also present.

A donation of five dollars was voted for deaf Belgian Refugees.

PITTSBURGH.

Old Winter has been holding sway with a rigorous hand of late. Ice-covered streets and sidewalks are everywhere and a safe footing for man or beast is the exception. Under such circumstances accidents are common—especially on the coasting hills.

At the Edgewood school the coasting was great and full of thrills, marred however by some mishaps that has kept the hospital forces busy. Miss Wall, one of the instructors, tested the solidity of the freeze, but luckily she escaped with a wrenched arm. Miss Danver, another teacher, had a narrow escape in a street car accident, in which quite a few persons were injured. These are samples of what have been happening all over town the past two weeks.

Christmas vacation began at school on the 23d, and nearly all pupils left for their homes on that date, only some 25 or 30 remaining at the Institution during the holidays. School was in session part of the time for those who remained. so that with their games, outside sports, etc., the time was filled up advantageously.

Before the pupils went home, the girls had an exhibition of their needlework, where they showed the various articles they had worked out as presents for their friends. It was a splendid showing in variety of work and execution, and of which the girls are justly proud.

The Doris Theatre, in Wilkinsburg, helped to entertain the boys and girls who spent their vacations at the school, by inviting them to two or three entertainments of the moving picture variety. For this they were indeed grateful, for they helped make their time profitable as well as pleasurable.

Miss Theresa Schoenenberger, of Ashland, still remembers her friends in Pittsburg. This is attested by her sending a sample of her excellent needlework to Mrs. G. M. Teegarden. There surely can't be many who are more adept with the needle than is Miss Schoenenberger. Her gift work certainly is most highly appreciated by the recipient, you may be sure.

Mr. Bert Hindman was met in the city recently. He was buying up stock for his shoe shop in Evans City, where he conducts a thriving business and wants to secure a couple of deaf helpers. There's a chance for some of the unemployed.

Bells, bells, bells,
How merrily they ring !
What happiness they bring—
The joyful wedding bells !

Bells, bells, bells,
How they chime with all that's sweet,
Through storms and driving sleet—
Those glorious wedding bells !

Marriage and giving in marriage is in the air, it seems. The marriage license list is long this Christmas season and we recognize quite a few of the applicants, to all of whom we offer our sincere congratulations and best wishes for calm seas and fair sailing.

First on the list was Mr. David McKee, a teacher at the Edgewood school and a son of a former superintendent of the Missouri Institution, who a week before vacation commenced quietly stole away to the wilds of Missouri, where he took unto himself a better half, but to date he has not vouchsafed the lady's name.

The next event was the marriage of Mr. Elmer D Read to Miss Elsie Cummins, a popular teacher in the Wilkinsburg Public Schools, Saturday, December 26th. While to his friends this union was not wholly unexpected, it came as a surprise at this season, as not a hint of the coming event was given out beforehand. As a matter of course, his numerous friends rejoice at his good luck and wish him and his helpmate every happiness, peace and prosperity.

You never can tell what damage the darts from Cupid's bow may inflict. Here, now, was Miss Frances Dedrick, popular belle of Pittsburg and Johnstown, who repeatedly declared she was immune ; then when her friends had begun to believe it, she announced her marriage on Christmas day to a hearing gentleman, whose name however cannot be ascertained at this writing. So more congratulations must be issued and may they be happy ever after.

It has also been announced that on Christmas Day, Mr. James Kiffer of Pittsburg, was quietly united to Mrs. Lizzie McCoach Woodruff, of East Liverpool. It is said the happy pair will reside in Ohio.

It seems that excursions on the Sea of Matrimony are quite popular this season, and we wonder if there may not be others that the wireless has not caught up or have been censured.

Miss Deborah Marshall returned to Pittsburg before Christmas, intending to go on to her home in Connecticut, but, through Miss Teegarden, secured employment in the family of one of her friends in Homestead, where she has been making herself popular, so she is likely to remain here for some time to come, since the people like her, and she likes the place.

On Saturday evening, December 26th, Mr. J. A. McIlvaine, Jr., entertained the deaf people of Pittsburgh with on account of his experiences in Italy and the war zone last summer. That it was interesting, it is sufficient to say he held the undivided attention of a large audience for two solid hours. 'Twas thrilling in parts, amusing in others, and the whole was an experience to be remembered, you may be sure. The proceeds of the lecture went to the Home at Doylestown, for which we have to thank Mr. McIlvaine for his time and expense. The audience was large, but still not as large as it should have been. A good many missed a good thing you may know.

Judge Frazer, in Common Pleas Court, has granted a charter to the Pittsburg Social League of the Deaf. So now the League may sue and be sued like the rest of us, but we hope no occasions for such will arise.

The S. L. D. had a watch-night meeting December 31st, at Washington Hall, where some jolly entertainment was given to quite a crowd. Games and story telling were indulged in until the arrival of the infant, 1915.

The Frats in the hall in the McGeagh building also held forth in a watch-night meeting, the same evening. Here they had a more elaborate programme, with declamations and other entertaining features along with refreshments. A crowd of some 50 or 60 saw the expiration of the old year and the advent of the new.

The Silent Five basket ball team journeyed to East Palestine, Ohio, Wednesday, December 30th, where they played the strong team of that city, and were walloped to the tune of 49 to 35. The team also played a game at Apollo, December 31st, and lost again, the score being 28 to 18.

Vacationists are returning, and some are extremely happy, in appearance at least.

Mr. McKee and his bride came in with the New Year, and will soon be busy setting up their household gods.

G. M. T.

A Good Man Gone.

In the death of Henry M. Fairman, of Worcester, Mass., New England loses one of her best known and most popular deaf men.

He was educated at Old Hartford, and in the days when THEY EDUCATED THEM. He did not learn much mechanical speech, but he did learn everything else that leaned towards success and happiness. He and his wife, by their presence, were factors in every gathering of the deaf, and his support was given to everything having the betterment of the deaf in view.

He was a man of deeds rather than of words, and a Christian of the highest degree. While a member of the Episcopal Church, he did not hesitate for a moment to give his strength to any Christian move or effort. Few men knew the scriptures as he did, and few lived and followed them more. He had no equal in sign delivery, when it came to the Lord's Prayer or Doxology or the rendition of an old familiar hymn. It made no difference what conditions, were he was always full of sunshine and smiling. His last appearance among the deaf was at Cleveland Convention, at which he was nominated for vice-president, but declined the nomination. All who attended that convention will perhaps remember Mr. Fairman and his wife. Their devotion to one another has been beautiful. His loss will be felt by the New England deaf, and the people of Worcester, who held him in greatest esteem. But to his loving and devoted companion of nearly half a century the loss will be irretrievable. She has the heartfelt sympathy and prayers of their legion of friends.

E. CLAYTON WYAND,
KEEDYSVILLE, MD. Jan. 2, 1915.

A Watch Night Party. 1914—1915.

Last Thursday night,
By bright moon-light,
In Flatbush Garden's fair,
I saw quite near.
With vision clear,
A party gathered there.

With good intent,
Their steps were bent
To a cottage o'er the way ;
To greet with cheer
The new-born year,
Upon the coming day !

With welcome smile
That did beguile,
And drive dull care away,
Our friends were met
At the time set,
And thence were bid to stay.

Who was our host ?
You, who know most
Must guess, before I tell !
Begin with "G,"
And end with "t" ;
Whose good name doth it spell ?

And who were there ?
I do not dare
Rightly here to mention !
But we did meet
A lady sweet,
Who drew much attention !

Her hymn in signs,
In graceful lines,
Was full of beatitude !
Fair mistress M.,
(Ending in N)
Accept our gratitude.

Mid games, and fun,
And merry pun,
The good year faded out :
A good repast,
Served at last,
Was relished all about.

Dear friend, adieu !
May Fortune strew
Sweet flowers on thy way !
May love of Him,
Who knew no sin,
E'er guide thee day by day.

NELLIE E. LORIGAW.

PHILADELPHIA.

News items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1538 North Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Clerc Literary Association provided a pleasant evening for all who attended its entertainment in New Year's Eve, at All Souls' Parish House. The entertainment consisted of a continuous vaudeville performance by the following company of local actors—Messrs. Harry E. Stevens, Alexander S. McGhee, John A. Roach, and Misses Helena L Bowden and Nettie Stemple. The male quartet appeared in fantastic costumes, while the ladies were attired in the fashion of the day and in beautiful contrast. Nothing serious was attempted in the series of acts ; the stage scenery was used but the curtain remained in its hiding place all evening ; there were no intermissions, but the acts succeeded one another in quick succession like they do at a "movie," and thus there was more amusement to enjoy. It lasted for an hour or so, and then followed a dance, in which many of those present participated.

Refreshments, consisting of sandwiches in three varieties and good hot coffee, were served for a little price that made them almost free.

For some unknown reason the citation on appeal in the Rocap Will Case before the Orphan's Court was not listed on Saturday, 2d. President Reider answered the summons with his counsel, John P. Walker, Esq., only to find that there was "nothing doing" in the case. Messrs. John A. Roach, James F. Brady, and William McKinney were disappointed spectators in the Court. Another date will be set for the citation.

Miss Elsie Thomson is seriously ill with Typhoid Fever and has been removed to the Episcopal Hospital. Miss Mary Price is in the Methodist Episcopal Hospital suffering from appendicitis, and Mr. Abram Hewitt, who has been sick for a while, continues in a serious condition.

The large iron works where Thomas D. Delp has been steadily employed for a number of years past was partially destroyed by fire last Saturday, January 2d. Fortunately, Mr. Delp is not thrown out of employment, but merely shifted to another place in the works. The plant has been working overtime on rush orders.

Mr. William H. Lipsett, one of our best performers on the stage and who has led many performances with credit and success, is now busy in preparations to produce "The Taming of the Shrew," at All Souls' Parish House, on Saturday evening, January 23d.

The Philadelphia Local Branch will hold a business meeting next Saturday evening, January 9th, at All Souls' Parish House.

Mr. Arthur Fowler will make an effort to organize a new basket-ball team this week from among the young bloods of All Souls' parish.

Mrs J. S. Reider returned from her visit to York County, on Saturday, second of January.

"Billy" Sunday is here now, and may be expected to show all Philadelphia how to start the new year right.

Mrs. M. J. Syle gave the inmates of the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf a helpful talk on Sunday, 3d of January.

Philadelphia Division No. 30, N. F. S. D., will hold its monthly meeting on Friday evening, January 8th. It is postponed from January 1st. After this, the meetings will be on the first Friday of the month, as before.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Pennell, of Philadelphia, spent three days with Mr. and Mrs. William H. Peck, of Rausch Creek, on the Wild Mountains, three miles from Pottsville, Pa. They enjoyed a grand time with Mr. and Mrs. William H. Peck, on Christmas Day.

The Pecks have a large stock of fine chickens.

Mr. Pennell and Mr. Wm. Peck visited the large Lincoln Colliery at New Lincoln, two miles from Rausch Creek.

Two Languages at Wedding

BOSTON, Mass , Jan. 1.—Mrs. Daisy Barton, of Lawrence, a deaf-mute, was married to-day by the oral and sign languages to Charles Thompson, of Centre Sandwich, N. H., who is partially deaf, but has the power of speech.

The Rev Charles W. Hidden performed the ceremony. He talked into the ear of the bridegroom, and then expressed his words by the sign language to the bride. The bridegroom answered orally and the bride by the finger language.

Charles L. Switzgable.

Charles L. Switzgable died, on Friday, December 25th, at his home, 113 Third street, West Easton, Pa., of a complication of ailments, aged 42 years. Deceased is survived by his wife and two children.

Deceased was deaf and dumb, and was employed as a toolmaker at the Phillipsburg plant of the Ingersoll-Rand Drill Company.

Mrs. Edward Daubner, of Elizabeth, N. J., was in Easton, Pa., to attend the funeral.

OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 993 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.

January 2, 1915 —Tuesday we received a Cincinnati *Commercial Tribune* clipping from Saint Cloud, Florida. We suppose it was sent us by Mr. Frank S. Philpot, who is making his home in the land of Alligators. The clipping was to the effect that the County Commisioners of Hamilton County in which Cincinnati is located had decided to send George Sheeley to the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf. Yesterday noon we received a message that he was at the School, and we took him up a couple hours later. He was a pupil of the school 1854–1859, and is now 72 years old. He also had a deaf brother, who died a few years ago. For a year or so he has been working about the County at Carthage, near Cincinnati, doing odd jobs for farmers. The past summer and fall he worked for Mr. William E Hoy, when occasion required, and since cold weather set in, they kindly gave him a home as he refused to go back to the County Infirmary, where he had been staying a number of years, claiming the place was too lonesome for him, as no one would converse with him. Mr. and Mrs. Hoy used their influence with the proper officials of the township to have him sent to the Home.

The issue of the JOURNAL for December 24th didn't reach its Columbus subscribers until December 29th, owing to the heavy holiday mails. The paper usually gets here on Friday or Saturday.

A deaf man by the name of Smiley, claiming to have been educated in the Chicago Schools for Deaf and tailor by occupation, was in this city Thursday in search of work. He had been in Toledo recently for the same purpose, but times seemed against him. He had a photograph post-card, bearing the phiz and name of Mr. John Opica, of Toledo.

The officers and employes of the school each were allowed a vacation of half the time the pupils', and most of them took advantage of the privilege to visit friends or home out-of-town.

Mr. and Mrs. George Black went to the latter's home, where a family reunion was held. Her father has reached fourscore and six, while her mother is seventy-seven. A sister from Colorado was also home for the occasion. Mr. Black took along a twelve-and one-half pound turkey to grace the Christmas and reunion feast.

Mr. W. W. King spent a portion of his vacation up in Urbana, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gledhill.

Dr. Patterson went down to Cincinnati Friday, where in the evening he gave a lecture so the deaf, and Sunday afternoon conducted a religious service.

Superintendents of the nineteen State Institutions held a meeting at the School for the Deaf Tuesday, and in the evening were entertained at dinner by Superintendent and Mrs. Jones.

Mrs. Joseph Leib is confined to her house with a badly sprained ankle, as a result of a slip on the ice while visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ohlemacher recently.

The pupils remaining here for the holidays were entertained last evening at the Bell Moving Picture Show.

The Mann Memorial window is to be dedicated on the 25th inst The amount collected for the fund is $208.48, and nearly $70 is yet to be provided, which it is hoped to secure before the date of dedication.

Mr. Charles B Huffman returning from his home, near Steubenville, Ohio, stopped over here a few hours to visit friends. He was on his way to Washington C. H., where he holds down a chair as a linotypist.

Mr. Abe Goldberg, of Cincinnati, with a hearing friend, was a visitor here during the holidays, as was also Mr. Arthur Werner, whose home is in Cincinnati. He had had spent the last few months with the Golls, at Stryker, Ohio, assisting them on the farm.

Mr. Hoverstick, the linotypist apprentice under Mr. Charles, was at his home in Venice last week to spend Christmas with his parents.

Superintendent Chapman of the Home reports that he has half of the ice house filled with ten-inch cakes of ice, as a result of the recent cold snap. The rain and thaw of the first of the week put a stop to the gathering. There was still some of the ice left gathered last winter. A. B. G.

FANWOOD.

On Saturday, December 26th, Mr. Chester Altenderfer, the head tutor, took a week's vacation, which, he said, he would spend in the City of New York with his wife. He came back here two or three days preceding the open date of welcome for all the pupils returning from their vacation.

Mr. Altenderfer began his connection with the Fanwood School in the year 1908, when Mr. Bryan, a member of the Seventy first Regiment, was head tutor, and succeeded to that office upon the resignation of Mr. Bryan. His efficiency in this position has made him one of the best tutors this school ever had. His discipline and control of the pupils accords with the rules laid down by the Principal. He is highly appreciated for his work and many good ideas for the welfare and and advancement of the pupils. After his service of five years as head tutor, he is beloved by all the the pupils here, so much, that they hope he will serve here as long as he lives.

Monday, January 4th, was the busy scene of the return of the pupils from their two weeks' Christmas vacation, with broad smiles, full of eager determination to devote their wintry days to studying lessons, in preparation for the examination, which occurs annually at the end of May.

On Monday, to the ears of the little lambs, members of Company C, came the sudden tidings of the arrival of their captain, Jean Paul Gruet, which aroused in them a sincere desire to congratulate him for his success. They swarmed around him, listening to his good chat about his Christmas vacation, which, he said, was spent in skating with a charming friend.

During the vacation, Captain Morris Rubin suggested a good plan for selecting some pupils who lived near him, to form a basket-ball quintet, in part to let the news of their skillful playing spread in Brooklyn, and in part to keep themselves in good shape. At Public School No. 174, the deaf team was composed of Funk, Tabachnick, Burger, Rubin and London, the latter a pupil of the Lexington School for the Deaf at 67th Street. They swept twelve teams of hearing opponents by big margin scores, chiefly through the strong, skillful guarding of Rubin.

No doubt the readers will regret to hear of the sad news brought by Captain Morris Rubin, that Arthur Tabachnick is suffering from a second attack of grip, so that he could not return to school. We all expect to hear of his speedy recovery.

Corporal Michael Ciavolino showed us a gold knife that he received from his godfather as a Christmas gift, on which the initials of his name are engraved.

Nathan Schwartz, while at home, wept over the loss of his pet dog for one full day. The next day he suddenly encountered it in the doorway. He stopped crying and has been laughing ever since.

On the evening of Monday, January 4th, all the pupils were assembled in the chapel, to see an entertainment given through the kindness of the Principal. The juggler showed his skill in juggling four balls, and performing such funny tricks that the boys laughed so hard they almost broke their hearts. At nine P.M , all adjourned for "Dreamland"

On December 25th, Charles Phillips was grateful to Henry Pescia for his generosity in presenting him with a beautiful necktie. Barnes devoured eight pounds of nuts, which he received from Pescia, on January 1st.

Chief Musician Herman Camman, captain of the Fanwood Team, orders the players to practice basket-ball every afternoon for half an hour, so as to be in perfect condition for the coming of the games with the hearing teams.

Miss Van Ingen, of the School for the Deaf at Rochester, N. Y., spent Tuesday in a tour of inspection. The Cadets gave an exhibition drill for her benefit, at which Mr. Egerton Winthrop, Chairman of the Executive Committee, was a spectator.

BOSTON.

The eighth annual fancy dress ball of the Horace Mann Benevolent Association, composed of persons who have attended the Horace Mann School for the Deaf, took place last evening at Howe Hall.

Conspicuous among the fancy costumes were those worn by Harry Zerwick, in an ulster made of flags of all Nations pieced together; Miss Gertrude Paulson, as a charming Hungarian gypsy; John A. Brenna, a formidable looking cowboy, wearing a belt stuffed with death-dealing weapons, and Jeremiah J. Markee and Thomas O. White, who represented respectively an old-time plantation minstrel and a black "mammy."

The grand march was led by Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Lowenberg. Fred C. Libby was floor director, assisted by Ernest A. Sargent and these aids, Emil H. Cole, Walter Cotton, William Berg, Maurice Cohan, John B. Craig and William Richards, Jr.—*Boston Transcript.*

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BALTIMORE

One of the most successful and beautiful Christmas Festivals ever held in Baltimore, according to an "oldest inhabitant," who was present, took place in Grace and St. Peter's Parish Hall, Park Avenue and Monument Street, on Wednesday night, December 30th, 1914. It was held under the auspices of Grace Episcopal Deaf-Mute Mission, and was the last one of a series held annually for nearly thirty-five years. The programme consisted of a shortened form of Evening Prayer, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Romilly F. Hemphries, the Rev. O. J. Whildin and the Rev. H. C. Merrill, who wore full vestments. Miss Bessie Moss, a pupil of the Frederick School, home on a vacation, rendered in beautiful and harmonious signs "While Shepherds Watched their Flocks by Night," after which short addresses were made by the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Merrill and the Rev. Mr. Whildin.

Then came a playlet. Mrs. H. D. Leitner assumed the role of a doting mother of numerous progeny, Mise Bessie Moss, a maid, and several little children, watchers for Santa Claus. The playlet was very cleverly acted on a stage specially constructed and lighted for the purpose. A stereopticon was used to throw vari-colored lights upon the stage during the progress of the play, thus adding to its attraction.

Among the children who took part were Little Misses Helen, Leitner, Josephine Bushey, and Masters Rozelle McCall and Henry Ross. Just before the curtain rose Little Miss Leitner distinguished herself and won an encore by stepping before the footlights and reciting a long piece in the cutest of signs. The refrain of her song was, "I believe in Santa Claus, Mister, don't you?" Mr. George Shipley acted the part of Santa Claus to perfection, and pleased all by his gentle behavior.

At the conclusion of the play Santa Claus distributed a large bag full of gifts—toys, candies, oranges, useful and ornamental presents for young and old alike. The audience completely filled the large parish hall, many being lined against the walls. So great was the crush that it was suggested to the Rector that an excellent gift for him to make next year would be a larger hall. In this he expressed entire agreement, and stated that he had attended many Christmas Festivals in all parts of the city during the past week, but not one of them had been as large, as enthusiastic and as successful as this one. He heartily complimented the Pastor and the Committee, and added that it all stood out as a splendid tribute to their success in the past and their zeal in the present. It was nearly ten-thirty when Rev. Mr. Whildin closed the meeting with prayer for the new year, and the benediction. The Committee, to whom credit is due, are: Mrs. H. D. Leitner, Mrs. O. J. Whildin, Mrs. Pauline Boss, Miss Johanna Thies, Miss Emma McCreary, Miss Hennie Hecht and Miss Beckie Newman. Miss Olive Whildin, the eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Whildin, who happened to be home from the Hannah More Academy for the Christmas vacation, interpreted the addresses.

Successful and enjoyable Christmas Festivals were held also at the Roman Catholic Mission on Sunday, December 27th, and at the Methodist Mission, on Tuesday. December 29th. We have no data from which we might be able to give an account of them, much to our regret.

The parents of Mr. Wroth Hetzler, Gallaudet, '19, arranged for a pleasant Christmas Night Party in his honor at their beautiful home on Edmondson Ave. Parlor games were played and delicious refreshments were served to a large number of invited guests, among whom were Mrs. Moss and daughters, Misses Bessie and Helen, the Reverend Messrs. Moyland, Branflick and Whildin, Mr. Wallace Edington, of Washington, Mr. Ignatius Bjorlee, of the Fanwood School, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nicol, Misses Mildred Dorsey, Esther Winterling, Alma Daly, and Messrs. Conrad Ray Kauffman, Ochs and Jonas Carpenter, of Newport News, Va., and a few others whose names have escaped us.

On Saturday evening, December 26th, the parents of Misses Helen and Bessie Moss also gave their daughters a party, at their beautiful cottage on the Belair Road, Govans. Here parlor games, although of a different kind, also enlivened the evening. Besides several hearing friends and relatives, the following were present: Messrs. Wroth Hetzler, Jacob Weinstein, Wallace Edington, Rev. Mr. Moylan, Mr. Bjorlee, Rev. Mr. Whildin and his daughter, Misses Mildred and Rosalie Dorsey, Esther Winterling her sister, and a few others.

Mr. Jonas Carpenter, a teacher in Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind at Newport News, Va., was the guest of Mr. Ray Kauffman for a few days during Christmas week. Mr. Carpenter stated that he left Old Point Comfort *via* a Bay Line Steamer, on Wednesday evening, December 23d, in the teeth of a violent rain storm, and arrived in Baltimore the next morning on the tail of a violent snow storm. It must have been an awful experience for Jonas to go through.

On Sunday, December 27th, the members and friends of Grace Mission were treated to a personal description of the events leading up to and following the presentation of a pulpit Lecture Bible to All Souls' Church, Philadelphia, on Sunday, December 20th, in honor of the Pastor of the Church, Rev. C. O. Dantzer. They one and all thereupon joined in a message of congratulation and best wishes to the Rev. Mr. Dantzer. This message is hereby conveyed.

The friends of Miss Della Raffleman were disappointed at her failure to come to Baltimore for the Christmas holidays. The wherefore of Della's election to forego the pleasure of her friends' company and remain at School in Frederick was this: An aunt in Baltimore who loves her dearly, and a sister in Washington who loves her none the less dearly, each wanted her as their guest. To end the discussion Della choose to remain at school, thus disappointing them both, and also many others, and pleasing no one. Next time Della will be sure to grab either horn of every dilenma.

An amusing incident attending the playlet at Grace Mission occurred when Master Rozelle McCall, dressed in white pajamas, was playing the role of a child pretending to be asleep in order to catch Santa Claus. Due to some hitch, they allowed him to pretend too long, and with the result that he fell sound asleep sitting before the fire. The stage prompter had the time of her life trying to wake him up without letting the audience know that possibly he was snoring.

Mr. Jacob Eskin, of Washington, was seen among the guests who lined the walls at Grace Mission. Mr. Bjorlee, Mr. Carpenter and Mr. Edington were obliged to obey the call of duty a few days before, greatly to the regret of their friends.

The following Season's Greeting was received, in Baltimore, recently, from Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Forrester, of the Maryland School, Frederick, Maryland. It was printed in beautiful golden letters, on a background of fine golden-edged stationery, itself also of golden hue:

"We wish ye health and sweet content
And aye enough to pay the rent,
Enough at least o' gowd to spare,
For rainy days and bodies puir."

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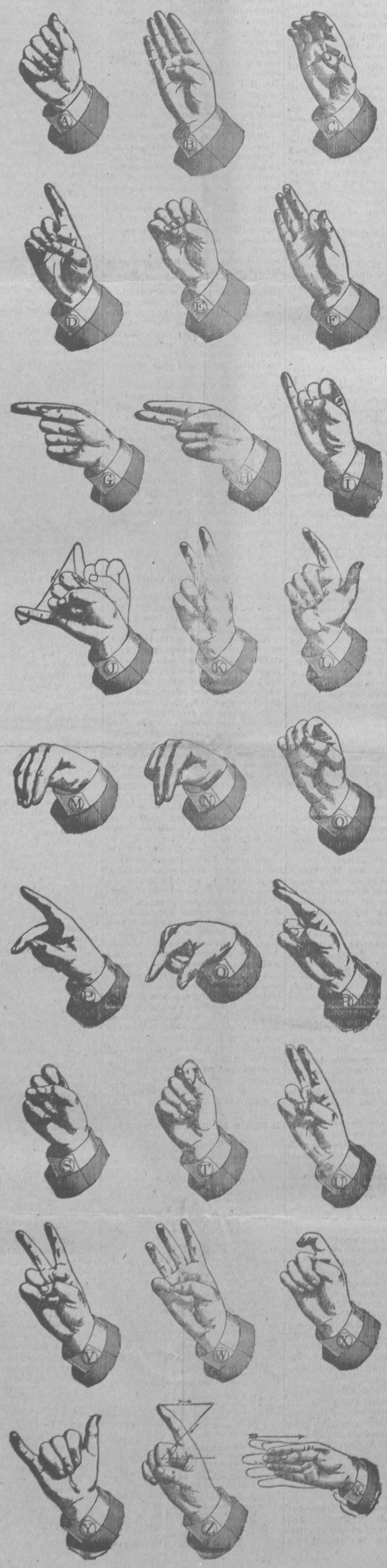
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